A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE WEST HARTFORD CLEAN ENERGY COMMISSION

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2005, the West Hartford Town Council established the ad hoc Clean Energy Task Force;

WHEREAS, the ad hoc Clean Energy Task Force was created to create a Municipal Action Plan for the purpose of ensuring that the Town of West Hartford met or exceeded its commitment to purchase 20% of its electricity needs from clean energy sources by 2010, and to encourage West Hartford residents and businesses to do the same;

WHEREAS, the ad hoc Clean Energy Task Force has continued to assist the Town of West Hartford in achieving subsequent energy consumption reduction goals, and continues to do so at this time;

WHEREAS, ad hoc committees must come to an end when their tasks or duties have been completed, but West Hartford has found that the Clean Energy Task Force has a continuing and evolving role in the Town of West Hartford's efforts to be energy efficient.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF WEST HARTFORD that it shall establish the West Hartford Clean Energy Commission to promote the use of clean energy and assist the West Hartford Town Council in achieving subsequent energy consumption reduction goals, and recovering any financial benefits from doing so.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town Council that the West Hartford Clean Energy Commission shall consist of one Town of West Hartford staff member assigned and determined by the Town Manager; and four West Hartford citizens with interest or expertise in the energy field, to be appointed by the Town Council; in addition, one Town of West Hartford staff member may be appointed by the Town Manager to serve as an alternate member of the Clean Energy Commission and up to two West Hartford citizens with interest or expertise in the field may be appointed by the Town Council to serve as alternate members;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town Council that, with the exception of the West Hartford staff commission members, each member of the West Hartford Clean Energy Commission shall serve no more than two consecutive terms; each term shall not be longer than six years; of the West Hartford non-staff commission members first appointed, two members shall serve three years, and the other two members shall serve six years, and all successive terms for all non-West Hartford Commission members will be six years; the West Hartford staff commission members shall serve at the pleasure of the Town Manager for as long as the Town Manager deems it appropriate and necessary.

FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this commission and its members shall be required to comply with C.G.S. § 1-200, et seq., as well as the West Hartford Code, including but not limited to Chapter 5.

Van Winkle (02/28/17)